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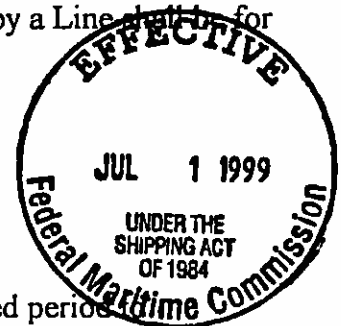
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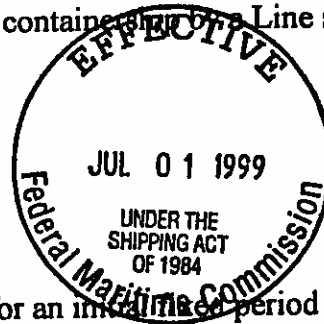
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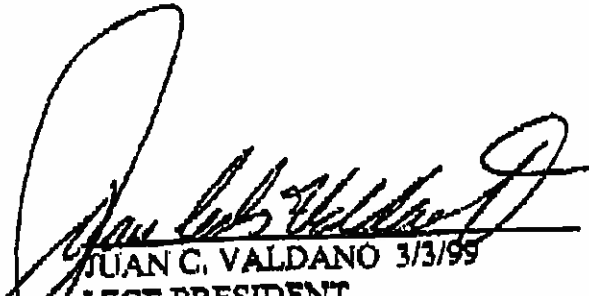
Mr. Alberto de Rojas Sr.
Trinity Shipping Lines, S.A.

Ref: Joint operating agreement between Interocean Lines, Inc. and Trinity Shipping Lines, S.A.

Dear Alberto:

In accordance with the joint operating agreement dated October 29, 1998 and as per clause 2.1 of same, hereby we confirm it has been agreed between Interocean Lines, Inc. and Trinity Shipping Lines, S.A. to renew this contract for an additional six (6) month's period on the same terms and conditions on this March 3, 1999. Otherwise rest of terms and conditions as per original contract remains the same.

Please confirm above agreement by dully signing this letter


JUAN C. VALDANO 3/3/99
VICE PRESIDENT
INTEROCEAN LINES, INC.


ALBERTO DE ROJAS SR. 3/3/99
PRESIDENT
TRINITY SHIPPING LINES S.A.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME
THIS 3rd DAY OF MARCH, 1999.


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